

## County of Los Angeles

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Los Angeles, California 90012

## Dear Supervisors:

The purpose of this letter is to inform your Board that the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD), along with the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), will be co-hosting the 111<sup>th</sup> Annual International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Law Enforcement Education and Technology Exposition Conference, to be held at the Los Angeles Convention Center, November 13-17, 2004.

The IACP is the world's oldest and largest non-profit membership organization of police executives, with over 19,000 members in over 100 different countries. The IACP's leadership consists of the operating chief executives of international, federal, state, and local agencies.

In 1998, major cities in the United States and Canada submitted bids to the IACP in anticipation to host the 2004 Annual Conference. Former Sheriff Sherman Block, former LAPD Chief Bernard Parks, and representatives from the Los Angeles Convention and Visitors Bureau were instrumental in having this prestigious conference awarded to the County and City of Los Angeles.

Over a duration of five days, the 2004 IACP Conference will provide delegates with over 40 educational seminars and the world's largest law enforcement related trade show with nearly 1,000 exhibitors. It is anticipated that the 2004 Annual IACP Conference will attract up to 25,000 participants, media, and a wide variety of dignitaries to the Los Angeles region.

An LA/IACP 2004 Fund was established as a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation under the Los Angeles Police Foundation to relieve the city and county of related financial obligations. The corporation was developed to serve as the financial establishment for the planning and coordination efforts related to this conference.

The LA/IACP 2004 Fund employed a professional sponsorship consultant to act as the marketing and fund-raising committee head. The responsibility of the sponsorship consultant is to raise necessary funds and in-kind facilities and services that will assist in the production and implementation of hosting this conference.

Although the conference will be held at the Los Angeles Convention Center, in the City of Los Angeles, due to the large number of attendees, most hotels and event venues will be held throughout the Los Angeles County area.

The Conference Management Team, comprised of personnel from both the LASD and LAPD, will develop plans to address all security, transportation, traffic concerns, and all events related to the operation of the conference. To successfully showcase the Los Angeles law enforcement community and the areas they serve, we have invited all of the Los Angeles and Orange County law enforcement agencies to participate in this event. Their involvement will be greatly appreciated and also serve to assist in providing the necessary personnel to meet our staffing needs.

Please mark your calendars and plan to join me at the Convention Center on November 13, 2004, as we welcome the world's law enforcement leaders to Los Angeles County during the opening ceremony for this premier event.

Sincerely,

LEROY D. BACA

**SHERIFF**